09-330 Office of Mental Health

The mission of the Office of Mental Health (OMH) is to ensure the provision of treatment, rehabilitation, and community supports that assists Louisiana citizens in recovery from their mental illness and emotional disturbance. The mission is accomplished through the distinct regions or mental health service entities which have unique culture and mission statements, and who accept the OMH vision as the appropriate system dynamic for change. The traditional views of the role of public mental health systems, the etiology of psychiatric disorders, and the viability of functional recovery have changed dramatically. Now services are developed in partnership with the consumers, their families and support systems directed towards resumption of adaptive behavior, work, and quality of life.

The goals of the Office of Mental Health are:

- 1. To aid in the recovery of all persons suffering from mental disorders. OMH strategy is to maximize the opportunities and potential for adults, children, and families to achieve their highest possible quality of life.
- 2. To ensure that services are available, accessible, accountable, flexible, and acceptable. Quality improvement, education, information exchange, and input from consumers and families are essential components in the system of care.

OMH is responsible for the statewide management and operational support of a comprehensive array of mental health services and delivers an integrated system of community inpatient hospital programs. Some are directly operated by the state, others are contracted with service providers. This integrated system of care includes mental health services, rehabilitation, education, employment, social, and other support services. The system assures interagency collaboration appropriate for adults and children and the multiple needs of those who have serious mental and emotional disorders.

The Office of Mental Health includes two programs: Administration and Support and Community Mental Health.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL	ACT 10	EXISTING	CONTINUATION	DECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED
		ACT 10 1999- 2000			RECOMMENDED	OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:	1998-1999	1999- 2000	1999- 2000	2000 - 2001	2000 - 2001	EXISTING
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$55,874,165	\$55,328,906	\$55,328,906	\$68,291,586	\$60,231,309	\$4,902,403
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	20,831,897	21,768,697	21,768,697	20,747,974	21,442,184	(326,513)
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	169,442	184,497	184,497	162,664	219,497	35,000
Statutory Dedications	0	3,700,000	3,700,000	0	0	(3,700,000)
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	5,472,137	5,482,260	5,482,260	5,001,363	5,001,363	(480,897)
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$82,347,641	\$86,464,360	\$86,464,360	\$94,203,587	\$86,894,353	\$429,993
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration & Support	\$3,668,901	\$4,074,155	\$4,074,155	\$4,200,375	\$4,370,433	\$296,278
Community Mental Health Program	78,678,740	82,390,205	82,390,205	90,003,212	82,523,920	133,715
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$82,347,641	\$86,464,360	\$86,464,360	\$94,203,587	\$86,894,353	\$429,993
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	929	940	940	940	881	(59)
Unclassified	28	28	28	28	30	2
TOTAL	957	968	968	968	911	(57)

This agency's recommended appropriation does not include any funds for short-term debt.

In addition to the above recommended appropriation, \$227,792 will be paid in Fiscal Year 2000-2001 for long-term debt incurred on behalf of this agency from the previous sale of bonds. Total long-term debt payments for the state for Fiscal Year 2000-2001 are reflected in the Governor's Executive Budget Supporting Document in Non-Appropriated Requirements, Schedule 22-922.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$1,802,973
State General Fund by:	
Interagency Transfers	638,269
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	6,534
Federal Funds	8,930
Total	\$2,456,706